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Sung Response – *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*, vs. 1

Gospel Lesson – Luke 2:15-20

Mary Boyd

Anthem: One Small Child by David Meece & arr. By Sheldon Curry
Elin Phillips - Soloist

Message – “Let’s Go”

Rev. Jim Mohr

Song of Praise – *Christmas Offering* – Paul Baloche

Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord’s Prayer (...sins...)

*Carol (on screen and insert) – *Silent Night*

*Benediction

*Response (on screen) – *Joy to the World*

*Postlude



WORSHIP NOTES

Childcare: The Nursery is not staffed this evening, but if parents would like to use the nursery, it is open. It is located through the side doors of the sanctuary to the left of the pulpit area.

We extend our appreciation to all who helped decorate the church building and especially the sanctuary for Advent this year. *Thank you!*

December 24, 2025
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service



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discipleship to Christ,
reconciliation in Christ,
divine encounter through Christ,
generosity with Christ.*

WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

* Denotes all may stand if possible

Welcome Pam Mansell

Prelude - *Once Again My Heart Rejoices* – by Johann Cruger (1598-1662)
Kathy Montgomery and Tawnee Hunter on flute

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 9:2-7 Emily Arblaster

Special Music – *On Christmas Night All Christians Sing* arr. Lloyd Larson
Carillon Handbell Choir and Kathy Montgomery - piano

Call to Worship Pam Mansell

Leader: The people walking in darkness have seen a great light;
on those living in the shadows of death a light has dawned.

**P: Jesus Christ is our Life and Light. In Christ's name, welcome!
In Christ's grace, let us worship God!**

*Carol (on screen) – *O Come All Ye Faithful*

Lighting of the Advent Wreath Tim, Jessica, Micah, & Greta Shelenberger

We praise you, O Lord our God, for giving us every spiritual blessing through your beloved Son. Enlighten our hearts and minds that we may shine as lights in this dark world, to the praise of your glorious grace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, on God, now and forever. Amen.

**May the wisdom of the Wonderful Counselor direct us,
the strength of the Mighty God protect us,
the love of the Everlasting Father embrace us,
the peace of the Prince of Peace surround us.
Amen.**

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*Congregational Response – *A Candle Shines* by Phillip M. Hayden

***A candle shines in the window for Christ, to melt our hearts of stone.
O come, O come, Emmanuel, and make our hearts Your home.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.
A candle shines in the window for Christ, to melt our hearts of stone.***

Unison Prayer of Confession in Response to God's Grace:

**God who comes to us, forgive us...
when our shadowed lives dim your Light;
when the tinsel of Christmas means more to us than your truth;
when our hearts of stone resist the pain and brokenness around us;
when we are more about what is under the tree, than the damage we
do to your creation and your children.**

**Have mercy on us, Healing God,
so we might tear down the walls we have built to keep your love
away;
so we could seek your justice for our sisters and brothers;
so our hearts would become cradles for your Son, our Lord and
Savior, Jesus Christ.**

Assurance of Pardon

Passing of the Peace

*Carol (on screen) – *While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks*, vs. 1 only

Children's Sermon – "The Animals Came" Rev. Jim Mohr

*Carol (on screen) – *The First Noel*, vs. 1

Gospel Lesson – Luke 2:1-14 Nathan Romig

Silent Night, Holy Night

Silent night, holy night!
All is calm, all is bright,
Round yon virgin mother and child!
Holy Infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight,
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heavenly hosts sing: "Alleluia:
Christ the Savior is born;
Christ the Savior is born!"

Silent night, holy night!
Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from Thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.

Silent night, holy night!
Wondrous star, lend thy light;
With the angels let us sing,
Alleluia to our King;

Christ the Savior is born;
Christ the Savior is born.



One Small Child

One small child in a land of a thousand,
one small dream of a Savior tonight.
One small hand reaching out to the starlight,
one small city of life.
One king bringing his gold and riches,
one king ruling an army of might.
One king kneeling with incense and candlelight,
one King bringing us life.
See him lying a cradle beneath him,
see him smiling in the stall.
See his mother praising his Father,
see his tiny eyelids fall.
One small light from the flame of a candle,
one small light from a city of might.
One small light from the stars in the endless night,
one small light from his face.
See the shepherds kneeling before him,
see the kings on bended knee.
See his mother praising his Father,
see the blessed infant sleep.
One small child in the land of a thousand,
one small dream in a people of might.
One small hand reaching out to the starlight,
one small Savior of life.

